

The **School of Education** is hosting a public lecture by Professor Bob Fox, Associate Professor and Deputy Director, Centre for Information Technology in Education, The University of Hong Kong, entitled *Changing Learning Environments and Innovations Beyond Technology*.

Abstract

The ubiquitous use of new technologies, along with changing curriculum and student study habits has resulted in universities needing to rethink teaching and learning environments. Based on ongoing research at one university in Hong Kong, this presentation explores the changing needs for learning spaces and the resultant designs to maximize opportunities for student learning. With reference to a new publication which examines multiple case studies of innovative pedagogical practices from over 25 countries, this presentation outlines these needs and the institution's evolving plans for new physical spaces to support both flexible and interactive learning environments and to complement an increasing role of online learning spaces to support student work in universities.

Reference: Law, N., Yuen, H.K., & Fox, R. (2011). *Educational Innovations Beyond Technology: nurturing leadership and establishing learning organizations*. New York: Springer.

Biography

Bob Fox has over 30 years experience in teaching and research in South East Asia, Australia and Great Britain. His research interests focus on teacher professional development; blended learning; change and leadership in technology supported educational innovation; and the impact of technology in new teaching and learning environments. He is Deputy Director, Centre for Information Technology in Education and Assistant Dean Learning Environments, Faculty of Education, The University of Hong Kong.